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Title: DEVICE, METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR)
PRESSING TWO AXIS-PARALLEL ROLLERS)
APPROACHABLE TO ONE ANOTHER IN A DEVICE)
FOR PRODUCING AND/OR TREATING A WEB OF)
MATERIAL)

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Patent Document No. EP 0 978 589 is discussed in the specification of the present application.

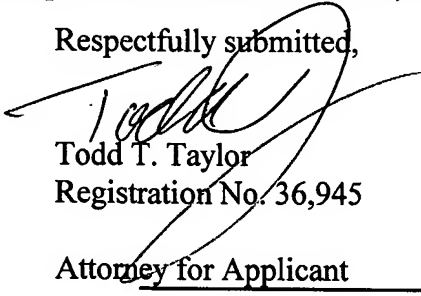
European Patent Document EP 0 242 783 discloses a roll stand comprising a roll (2) which is stationarily mounted in a support structure (1) and at least one displaceable roll (4), wherein, in relation to a respective roll bearing side, the bearing journals (8', 8) of the stationary roll (2) and the displaceable roll (4) are each accommodated in a respective bearing (for example 11', 11) and the displaceable roll (4) is adjustable relative to the stationarily mounted roll (2) by means of a control member (13) and is biased by means of a force-producing member (for example 45), characterized in that the control member is arranged directly between the bearings (11', 11) of the stationary roll (2) and the displaceable roll (4) are each provided with a respective further bearing (for example 12', 12), that the respective two bearings of each roll journal are disposed side by side, that the force-producing member, acting in opposition to the control member (13), is arranged between said further

bearings (12', 12; 52', 52) and that the force-producing member is in the form of a spring element (54; 55) for the purposes of variation in length in dependence on the control force.

German Patent document DE 3 627 463 teaches a device for controlling the pressure or distance of a contact roller respectively against or from a reel, the contact roller is guided radially in dependence on the reel diameter and is adjusted by means of a positioning motor. A position measurement device is provided for the position measurement of the contact roller and a computer is provided which specifies to a positioning device the control variable for the contact roller according to a predetermined function.

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